## UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

THE DISPENSARY LAW.

McIver and Associate Mc-Gowan on One Side and Associate Jus-

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 19.—The long expected decision of the State Supreme Court in reference to the Dispensary Law was filed today. The judgment of the Court was rendered by Chief Justice McIver, Associate McGowan concurring. Associate Justice Pope filed a dissenting opinion. The decision is a long one and contains fully 30,000 words. It is for the most part a strictly legal view of the case but with it all it has features that will be of in-

terest to everybody.

The case was legally entitled: Chas. S. McCullough vs. George Just Browne et al and the State vs. Hentz Jacobs, J. C. H. Troeger, Jerome Fagan, J. R. Byrd and Ben David. In the first instance Judge Hutson rendered his famous decision and all the remainder of the cases come from Columbia the result of which is well known. In each instance the Supreme Court sustains the judgment of the lower court.

Judge McIver's decision is said

to be an able document and completely knocks out the Dispensary
Law. He says that the Attorney General during the hearing
had suggested to the court that the act
of 1893 superseded the act of 1892 but that no motion had been made by the argument, the two acts identical. Pro islature being constitutional and reviews at some length the nature, scope

and object of the law. He declares that it violates two articles of the Constitution namely the first and the fourteenth. The first articles declares all men free and equal with right of enjoying liberty and the best lawyer will give any definite property and the second guarantees opinion on these tantalizing questions. property and the second guarantees every man against being deprived of his right to engage in any lawful busi-ness. These rights, the court observes. are derived from the creator rather than from the government. The traffic and liquor itself is not unlawful and the law in so far as it forbids a citizen from engaging in it when the State is allowed to conduct the same business

State has no right to engage in business in competition with her citizens. Such an idea is at variance with all ideas of civil government. The power given the State to engage in the liquor business by the last Legislature is outside and beyond the power conferred. upon the General Assembly by the peo-

The court answers also the argument raised that because the State engaged in business of supporting colleges that she could also engage in the business of selling liquor. This is answered by showing from authorities that education is a legitimate function of government while selling liquor is not. The above are some of the leading ideas advanced by the majorty of the court in declaring the law unconstitution.

Associate Justice Pope's dissenting opinion covers nearly 100 pages of fools cap. He argues chiefly that the whole law is constitutional from the fact that the regulation of the liquor traffic is a legitimate function of government and he holds that the dispensary law is such a regulation. He does not think the prime object of it is the raising of a

Chief Justice McIver, who delivered the opinion, while in no sense a politician, is understood to sympathize with the Straightout faction, and the same may be said of Justice McGowan, who concurred with him. Justice Pope is a Tillmanite and was elected Attorney General when Tillman was first elected Governor in 1890. Justice McGowan's term expires in July, and Eugene B. Gary, until recently Tillmanite lieutenant governor was elected to succeed him last December. It is surmised that an effort will be made to have the law again submitted to the court after he takes his seat, when the court will include a majority of Tillmanites. Lawyers say, however, that an act declared unconstitutional cannot be restored by the mere reversal of an opinbe again enacted by the Legislature before its constitutionality can have an-

The opponents of the administration are jubilant over the decision of the Supreme Court declaring the dispensary law unconstitutional. The whiskey men are more than jubilant over the decision and whiskey is being openly sold in many places in South Carolina tonight. The friends of the dispensary law are not disheartened, despite the decision of the court. They believe the law constitutional and believe that it will yet triumph. Governor Tillman is known to be a man of many resources and his opponents do not believe that he will yield and close the dispensaries. Immediately after the decision was filed several orders were countermanded by the State dispensary. The "blind tigers," which have never been especially cautious in their operations in this city, have sold whiskey today with considerable more audacity than usual and have not been interfered with. The local dispensaries have been doing business as usual. It is probable that the bar keepers will not publicly resume

business until they have been advised by their counsel, whose opinions they are now awaiting. THE DECISION DISCUSSED. The Journal says the State House officials seemed to have caught on to the idea that the discussion would be adverse to them. There was a lot consulting among them, John Gary Evans was an interested visitor at the State House. When he heard of the dicision he said that it would make no difference as the State would take care of ter of Mercy lying by the side of the

ed to do under the circumstances, he said "simply wait and see." Governor Tillman would only say this much about the decision: "1 havn't read and don't know its scope treated before being murdered. Near yet. I have tried to enforce it because the spot where the body was found it was the law. The action of the court | were evidences of a desperate struggle makes it incumbent on me to take such and some feotprints of a man which steps as my judgment will dictate to may lead to the arrest of the murderer. protect the interests of the State and of the people. The matter is not fin-

ion of the court has no effect on the present law but simply decided on the law of 1892. He did not explain wherein THE SUPREME COURT SO DECLARES there was any radical difference in the laws. He is of the opinion that the case can be appealed to the United State courts as questions of Federal law came up under it. He did not say positively that such action would be

taken though he intimated as much.

Mr. Traxler said that as far as he was concerned he had received no orders to stop business and that he would continue until officially notified to quit. He said that he has a lot of liquor in transit and he does not suppose that the decision will prevent him from pay-

THE RESULT DOUBTFUL. It cannot be told yet exactly what the result will be. The dispensaries are still running and will not close at once, There are so many legal loopholes that the State can take advantage of and

keep them running.
The Supreme Court has ten days in which to send down to the lower court official notification of their decision and until that time expires things will likely remain as they are.

EFFECT OF THE DECISION.

The Register says the first thought

which entered the minds of the people after they had learned of the decision was the effect which it will have-the effect on the State Dispensary, the effect on the County Dispensary and the effect in the way of reopening the saloons. The truth is that the public is at sea. The decision, as known declares the law to be unconstitutional. The natural conclusion from this would be that the Dispensaries would be immediately closed. It must be remembered however, that the decision of the court does not go to the lower court for ten court would consider, for the sake of days. Technically speaking the decision is of no force until it reaches the ceeding in the decision Judge McIver lower court, from which the case was appealed. Ten days may bring forth a great deal. The State may take a hand in favor of any act passed by the Legin some unexpected way and knock out all the ideas which some of the more jubijant now possess. There are almost a legion of things which could happen and which may happen to change the situation of affairs. Nobody knows what is going to take place. Not even A good lawyer yesterday said that he believed the saloons could open in twelve hours if the proprietors wished.

Others were in doubt. As far as appearances went there was no change in the State and city Dispensaries. At the State Dispensary the usual force was on duty. The authorities had expected the decision and had of the alleged police regulation of the traffic under the dispensary law but concludes that it has no such idea. whole scheme the court says is one to nothing would be done until a meeting increase the revenue of the State. The of the State Board of Control is held. arises as to what the State will do with the big stock of whiskies on hand. This stock can be disposed of at good figures and without much loss to the

WHISKEY MEN JUBILANT. CHARLESTON, S. C., April 20 .- The news of the Supreme Court decision was received here with very general reoicing. It was not many minutes after the first news reached the city before everybody seemed to know it. Bulletins were posted in various places and restaurants and "soft drinks" resorts reset their sideboards with bar paraphenalia not seen in South Carolina since last June. Most of the old saloon men are getting ready to resume business. Chico, who has figured so extensively in the courts in connection with a violation of the dispensary law, paraded the street with a barrel and a broom and an American flag. It was certainly a day of general rejoicing on

the part of the whiskey men. LAURENS, S. C., April 14.-A picnic reunion of Company G. 3d South Carolina Infantry Veterans, known in the war as the "Briars," was held at Power today in this county. A crowd of four hundred people was addressed by Col. J. J. Crittenden and Col. J. A. Hoyt, of

Greenville, Col. B. W. Bali, of Laurens,

Farley, all confining themselves to in-Congressman Shell, a veteran of the same regiment and a guest of the occa-sion, spoke in defence of his record as a leader of the Reform movement and answered the charges against him. In the course of his speecb he strongly denounced those who had attacked him as a deserter, charging that those so

apt to cry out "Treason deserved watching themselves. The party crying thief, as a rule, is himself a natural born thief." The crowd: "That's pretty hard Captain; that's pretty hard."
Shell replied in dramatic tones: "But

it is true, though; it is true." The speaker declared that he was proud that he had been instrumental in having Joseph B Kershaw appointed to office. The time has come when harmony and unity among the white

people of the State should prevail. Those who denounced him lived by agitation and could only succeed by keeping up a racket. He reiterated his declaration that be would withdraw from politics at the close of his present term in Congress. Resolutions of condolence on the death of Gen. Kershaw, their old commander, were passed by the veterans. The bullet-riddled battleflag of the 3d South Carolina regiment was paraded. The veterans were commanded during the day by B. W. Lanford, the ranking survivor. County Auditor O. G. Thompson, who was a boy member of

## close of the meeting and made a brief

the company, was called on before the

BERLIN, April 14.-This morning the police found the dead body of a Sis itself. When pressed to give some in- road leading to Grunewald forest on formation as to what the State expect-ed to do under the circumstances, he was partly concealed by some bushels. The throat of the unfortunate woman had been cut and an examination disclosed the fact that she had been mal-

MISCHIEF BREWING.

The Republicans Called Upon to Registe.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 19-Ellery M. Brayton, the member of the Republ can Executive Committee from this State has gotten up a flaming address to the Republicans of the State, in which he calls upon them in the most insinuating way to "hasten to register." Ordinarily such important moves as this by the Republicans is done on the quiet but in this case the chairman has come out in a bold way and called upon his fellow Republicans to register and prepare for tax for schools, fixing an educational and to the colored voter. What there is behind the call on the Republicans to prepare for action remanins to be seen,

out it is evident that there is something up in the Republican camp, as the fol- Gen. Farley. He is absolutely fair in owing address indicates: "Only three registration days remain. certificate, or changed his residence, to a citizen and public official is no less ge to the supervisor at the county court | marked than his devotion and sincerihouse on the first Monday in May, June or July, and obtain a certificate. The earliest and staunchest advocates of approaching election will be one of vast the measures which crystalized the Farimportance and great opportunities to mers' Movement and upon which the the Republicans. The scheme to set aside the State Constitution and make a aside the State Constitution and make a new one should instantly arouse the voters. It is fought with danger and intween yourself and Governor Tillman volves momentous changes, among with reference to the conduct of affairs the elective franchise, establishing the whole matter?" chain gang and whipping post, and other obnoxious provisions. The new Constitution will not be submitted to the people for raufication; so that the enly people for raufication is the people for raufication. next election, when the question for or because there is so much partisanship not have his registration certificate can

vote. The danger is imminent, and privation of the rights, liberties and privi- ed to Governor Tillman from Darlingleges granted by the present Constitution. The hostility and disintegration among the Democrats affords a chance for the Republicans to exercise their political rights. Do not throw the opportunity away. If remiss or recreant it may be the last chance many will have to vote in South Carolina. The whole country is sick of Democratic rules and incapacity. A revolt against the deplorable condition into which it has deplorable condition into which it has A Reform leader yesterday said that it was possible that no further fight will be made by the State and that the Dispensary law will be submitted to Dispensary law will be submitted to the ground the country, and the distress the people as a constitutional amendation. The land. The land. The land of the reformation and dead issues. The dispensary law will be submitted to the true situation, and it will also future. I see no real cause for conflict if the right spirit prevailed in the simply complied with. Knowing my State, because all of the reforms we have advocated are accomplished facts and first prevailed in the simply complied with. Knowing my duty, I kept my mouth closed and have advocated are accomplished facts and first prevailed in the simply complied with. State, because all of the reforms we have advocated are accomplished facts and proverty brought upon the people, is and power that these instructions were simply complied with. Knowing my duty, I kept my mouth closed and have advocated are accomplished facts and proverty brought upon the people, is and proverty brought upon the people, is and power the land. The ment. It is believed that it would be now sweeping over the land. The awaited orders, giving no information and dead issues. The dispensary law voted in by thousands majority. If the strongholds of Democracy in the North to any one. If Governor Tillman had is not a reform measure of itself, nor people decide to put it in the Constitute have been overthrown, and the South is asked my advice in regard to such mathas been adopted by the Reform party tion the law will then be beyond the reach of the courts. If no fight is made by the State an interesting question being vindicated. In this State the way at Darlington and take command of the desire of the courts. is open to elect seven Republican Con- any troops that might be ordered to selectuse of dissension. I know our gressmen and defeat hostile Democratic that point. When I received the inforlegislators as well as to preserve Constitutional rights from destruction. If syscounty to enumerate and organize gram, and then took steps to secure a the registered voters by forming them into clubs it will result in separating the Richbourg's command. I have never active and useful voters from the drones intended to give public expression to and be a stimulus to registration. The my opinion as to the necessity of sendemergency is critical, and the call to ing troops to Darlington, because it is fore us. If this excitement is allowed duty imperative: Therefore. Republinot consistent with my position as Adto increase, there is great danger that

lunatic, and is a political," The colored Rapublicans are more tions as was adopted in Mississippi, tate to say what would have been my which whould materially decrease the advice if he had sought it.

"When the riot occurred in Darlingpolitical strength of the Republicans. One of the leaders, in conversation with marked that it was high time for the Repulicans of South Carolina to be making a last effort for political freedom. Ex-Collector E. A. Webster, of Ocand Adjutant and Inspector General angeburg, is chairman of the rebublican party in this State, and whether the ad- thirty six hours. While I found peace dress has been issued with his approval and quiet in the town of Darlington, it or not does not happen to be known, was the calm after the storm. I do not lt resulted as follows:

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Past Grand Dictator—J. C. Sheppard. and it is barely possible that Mr. Bray- hesitate to say that some military force

> brother Republicans. -State. A New Reliroad. the Louisville and Nashville Railroad but I do not think that any impartial cannot saddle its road with the South observer would blame him for taking Carolina Road at seven million dollars ample steps to bring the community when they can buy the Port Royal and back to its normal condition. Indeed Augusta Railroad for one million dol- after we had been thwarted in our first C., to Charlescon, sixty five miles, at a r-linquish his purpo e of restoring orcost of \$600,000, giving them a line d-r without sacrificing the dignity of from Augusta to Charleston eighteen the State and apparently surrendering miles shorter than the South Carolina the prerogatives of his office. Any Read, besides giving them the shortest other course would have made it apline from Augusta to Savannah. In pear to the outside world that his short, at a cost of two millions the hands were tied and his official power Louisville and Nashville can have a was paralyzed, and the moral effect into to the sea, covering Charleston, would have been irremediable. The Port Royal and Savannah, infinitely su- fact that Constable McLendon had perior to the South Carolina Railway, been taken from the jail and carried and save to their stockholders five to a place of safety in order to escape million dollars. It comes from a relia- lynching, (much to the relief of the ble source here that the Louisville and good citizens of Darlington, as I hapexpects to soon buy the Port Royal and that the civil law was not deemed suffi Augusta and build the connections.— cient to control the situation. Without

> News and Courier. DARLINGTON April 18 .- Mr. H. Y. Scarborough, a reputable cititizen, hus have been made with safety, because it forwarded to the Governor an affidavit was imperatively necessary that the in which he states that Mr. J. K. Kir constables should be present to testify. in which he states that Mr. J. K. Kir ven, chairman of the board of control, offered to secure him the position of ence, but the presence of the troops at borough) would give him \$10 per month gave assurance to the world that South from his salary. He further states that Kirven wanted him to appoint a nephew of his (Kirven's) clerk, and said that the people of both factions .- State.

the all absorbing topic. Governor Tillman and nothing whatever to say on the subject. He would express no opinion until the State authorities had edded whatto do.

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FARLEY SPEAKS

HE GIVES HIS VERSION OF THE DAR-LINGTON AFFAIR.

Orders and Worked for Peace.

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 19 .- Gen. rew days ago en route to the reunion the coming election. Apparently the of his old command in Laurens county most important consideration seems to Upon meeting with him at the Manbe in the constitutional question and the sion House the editor of the Mountainpossibility of annulling the 2 per cent. eer asked him a few questions concerning the recent stirring events in this property qualification for the elective State, with which he was so promifranch'se, establishing the chaingang and mently and intimately connected, and whipping post, and other obnoxious he very courteously complied with the provisions," are keld up as the red flags request to talk on the subject. His observations are so pertinent and lordible, revealing the inward history of events at Darlington and Florence, that we propose to share with the public the interesting statement made by the statements made concerning past events, and his comments upon the po-It is the duty of every Republican who litical situation will not fail to comis not registered, or who has lost his mand attention. His conservatism as

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chance to defeat the scheme will be at the tempt to be fair to Governer Tillman, State can have. The remedy would against the Constitutional Convention is to be voted on. No Repulican who does some one or other political purpose. It ion of a simple purchasing and audit-from the beginning of this trouble ing agent, relegating control of the lo-there was an attempt made to make cal dispensaries to the counties and those who now fail to exercise their privileges will be responsible for the deinstane, that I had said and telegraphviolable." leges granted by the present Constitu- ton soon after my arrival that there specially dreaded in the coming camand citizens of Darlington, as I was intematic methods are adopted in each structed to do by the Governor's telecans, and register. Be alive to your jutant General to criticise the actions South Carolina will soon become an interests and responsibilities. A man who is not registered is not a voter, having no more voice in the affairs of the State than a woman, a telon, or a lunatic, and is a political."

Juant General to criticise the actions of the State and responsibilities. A man of my superior officer, the chief executive of the State. I deemed it quite sufficient to keep him posted as to the situation so that he could exercise his own discretion, because the responsibilities. The result would be doubtful, and no one would be benefitted, while the bilsty rested upon him. Since it has been made to appear, however, that I ruin and desolation staring them in interested in the constitutional conven-tion than any others, as they believe ed from the official obligation of keepthat should a new Constitution be ad-opted it would have some such restric-nor Tillman and myself, I do not hesi-

troops in Columbia had been allowed to obey orders, I am satisfied that the power of the civil law would have been restored within twenty-four hours or ton has undertaken a task in which he in addition to the local militia, was will not meet with the cooperation of his necessary for the restoration of the status existing prior to the outbreak. Governor Tillman may have been mis taken to the exact measures or amount AUGUSTA, April 16 .- It is said that of force necessary to restore the status, lars and build a line from Fairfax, S. | fforts to secure troops, he could not Nashville is figuring on this plan and pen to know.) is conclusive evidence sufficient force the investigations that were necessary in Darlington, more particularly the inquest, which was and ought to have been held, could not The necessity was not so great at Floreither or both places did no harm, and

der and maintaining peace within its borders." "Was there any clash between yourthey could then run the dispensary to self and the Governor, and are there suit themselves. The affidavit goes on any differences betwirt you?" to state that both offers were declined and that then Kirven used his influence except of political opinion on some to have other man appointed. Scar- minor matters. I see that strenuous borough is a Reformer, but is liked by efforts are being made to create such an impression by putting a forced construction upon the telegram which passed in regard to my course at Flor-AIKEN, S. C., April 14.—The case of ence. The matter was very easily ex-Jesse Corley, charged with the murder plained and settled between us, and it of the people. The matter is not finished. I will obey the court for the
present and appeal to the supremest
court—the people."

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"The personal fight or beginning was purely accidental, but the riot which followed it arose out of the excitement produced by the enforcement of the dispensary law. The public mind was evidently in an inflammable state, or the thing would have been

"Is there anything of political significance in the response made by the people and a part of the militia after Columbia and Charleston had refused

"Of course, there are always some partisans on such occasions, but a large majority of those who responded and of those who were ready to respond were influenced by a patriotic purpose to restore good order, support the existing laws of the State, and to prevent the overthrew of the constistituted authorities of the State. It would not do to ascribe their conduct to a desire for the promotion of the political ends of any faction or to the endorsement of any special law. They had agher aims and purposes in their "Is the danger over, and will there be any further trouble arising from the execution of the dispensary law Or what is the real cause of the present agitation in South Carolina?"
"I have said as much as I intended

but since you ask the question will add that I fear it is not, unless the methods of enforcing the dispensary law are very carefully handled. As to the real cause of the trouble, I would say it is money, money, money, instead of liquor, liquor, liquor. It is the profit feature of the law which will eventually have to go. One hundred per cent. is too great a temptation for the average 'blind tiger' to resist, even though he may risk his life in yielding to it. Besides, the 'tiger' is blind to any morwith reference to the conduct of all wrong on his part in selling liquor at Darlington and Florence during the lawrong on his part in selling liquor for profit when he sees the State enguestion and property qualification for the elective franchise, establishing the whole matter?"

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"General, is there any thing to be

people, that they are brave and fearless, and hey are not even afraid of each other. We may well ask the question, if this is the beginning of the cam-paign, what will be the end of it? Surely we can come down to the discussion of so small a matter in a dispassionate way, and it behooves every right thinking citizen of either faction to consider well the abyss that lies bebilsty rested upon him. Since it has masses of our people would have only the face, and the United States government alone could restore peace and good order. Much will depend upon

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 20 - The Grand its session yesterday morning at 9 o'clock. The first business was the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Grand Dictator—N. W. Trump. Grand Vice Dictator—R. T. Caston, Cheraw. Grand Assistant Vice Dictator-L H. Wannamaker, Orangeburg.
Grand Chaplain—A. Buist, Blackville Grand Guide-M. B. McSweeny,

Hampton. Grand Reporter-G. W. Holland Newberry Grand Treasurer-J. T. Robertson bbeville Grand Guardian—J. W. Todd, Senaca Grand Sentinel—J. J. Vernon, Well-

Grand Trustees-W. H. Day, Florence; G. E. T. Sparkman, Georgetown W. A. Templeton, Abbeville. N. W. Trump was elected as supreme representative for the term of two

years and M. A. Carlisle as his alter-It was thought expedient to discon tinue the office of Grand Lecturer. Steps will be taken by the Grand Of ficers to advance the order. Resolu; tions of thanks were adopted for courtesies rendered by the railroad authori ties and by the people of Columbia Nearly all of the members who cam to the city left on the afternoon train for their homes.

FLORENCE, April 16 .- To-day Walter Britt and William Johnson, colored were going fishing. Britt cursed Johnson. They both began fighting, when Britt whipped outa butcher knife that he had concealed in his bosom and slashed Johnson's left arm and side. It was a horrible gash and big enough to lay a man's fist in. The point of the blade touched the heart and death was almost instantaneous. The affray happened at Perry's brick yard near the corporate limits. Britt was captured by Alderman J. F. Stackley and locked up. Coroner Bunch held an inquest this afternoon. The verdict was in accordance with the above facts. Johnson was a Marion darky, Britt is a Berkeley negro of the meanest type.

A Double Murder. BALTIMORE, Md., April 19.—A special support of Democratic men and Demo. are from Augusta?—Chronicle.

A CALL FOR CLUBS.

ANOTHER LETTER FROM GENERAL HAMPTON ON THE SUBJECT.

What Chauccey F. Black, President of the National Association, Thinks About the He Defines their Object.

To the Editor of the State: To the Editor of the State:

The following letter was addressed to me recently by the Hon. Chauncey F. Black, the president of the "National Association of Democratic Clubs," and as it is so forcible a plea for the organization of these clubs throughout the country, I deem its publication important. As vice president of the league for South Carolina, it is my duty to re-spond to the call of the president, and as my views on the subject he has so ably presented are in full accord with his, that duty becomes in this case a

time when the great Democratic party depended for its permanence, its very existedce, on the unity of its members, it is now, when false creeds and false prophets threaten to destroy it. This regard as eminently the case in South Carolina, where many of our truest men have been led astray by the pro-mulgation of political heresies, claimed by their advocates to be true "Jeffar-sonian Democratic principles." The vast majority of the whites in South Carolina are at heart staunch

and loyal Democrats, and they would not knowingly imperil their party, so when warned as they are in such strong and truthful language by one of the ablest leaders of the Democracy, as Governor Black has always beeu, of the dangers threatening the party. I have faith that they will rally to the support of the only party which promises peace, prosperity and protection to the My function as vice president of the

National League is to present to the people of South Carolina, the views and wishes of the President. If they are in accord with him as to the dangers ahead of us, and the vital importance of prompt action in order to avoid them, I shall gladly give all aid in my power to the formation of Democratic

I therefore urge all Democrats who stand on the national platform to crgauize promptty these clubs, to which every true Democrat will be eligible as

WADE HAMPTON, Vice President, National Association of Democratic Clubs.

GOV. BLACK S LETTER. YORK, Pa., March 1, 1894. at which you were good enough to ap-pear as vice president for South Caro-lina, it was resolved to push the organization of Democratic societies through

out the Union with all the energy at our commond. We believe that this is especially necessary in the South, not only for the reasons heretofore given publicly by you, and personally to the committee. but for similar reasons advanced by many distinguished leaders of the Democracy in that section. The really of elections and the development of her vast agricultural possibilities, unvexed ocratic party in national power, and that, again, upon the intimate and cordial association of the Democracy in we should be animated by but a single purpose. Our interests are not divergent but complementary. Whatever injures you, injure us, whether the in- Janeiro. juries be to your liberties, as citizens When the riot occurred in Darlington, the information received by the Governor was necessarily meagre, and during the riot there was, of course thresten the party. I am not intend-

Lodge of the Knights of Honor began ing to say that this is peculiar to the South. It is too frequent elsewhere.
Is there a remedy? It seems to me plain. With the saracity of an experienced and enlightened statesman, you have very clearly pointed it out, and so have many other devoted Southern men. You need to maintain the closest political relations with your Damocratic brethren in the Union. You want to embody your people upon distinct Democratic principles, in a distinct Democratic organization, which we have met only in the national campaigns, but there our relations cease. There is no further intercommunication But a system of Democratic societies, embracing the whole Union, active every year, and all the year, uniting the State and national associations, in constant fraternal correspondence and in tion of the Democratic Clubs. Its shot.

principles are thus formulated in the second article of the Constitution: The objects of this assoication are as follows: To foster the formation of perman ent Democratic clubs and societies throughout the United States, and insure their active co-operation in dis-

government.

United States, the antonomy of the States, local self-government, and freedom of elections. To resist revolutionary charges and the centralization of power. To oppose the imposition of taxes be-

youd the necessities of government economically administered. To promote economy in all branches fo the public service. To oppose unnesessary commercial restrictions for the benefit of the few at the expense of the many.

To eppose class legislation, which

depoils labor and builds up monopoly.

To maintain inviolate the fundamen tal principles of Democracy-"Equality before the law." To co-operate with the regular or-

These propositions embody only in-

cratic societies from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and by thousands of primary societies, members of the State societies and of the National Association. Can you suppose a more perfect guarantee of future harmony upon sound principles than such a mighty brotherhood of Democrats, North, South East and West ready to encourage and defend the

party, in whatever section as sailed? Such an organization, holding to the letter of the Constitution and the strict construction commandments of our fathers, as the indispensable conditions of the continuance of our republican institutions, would, in a very few years, make this country permanently Democratic, and in the meantime, it would, f generally adopted in the Sonthern States, secure them against the tem-porary inroads of third parties pro-voked by momentary ills, and propos-

ing invariably, undemocratic and un-

constitutional measures of relief. entire Democratic parry; that it was only by means of the Democratic socie-ties that Democrats address each other, In my judgment if there ever was a or the world, in the earliest days of the republic; that it was the expedient of soon exhausted. He abused her in the the first struggle between Damocracy their feet. and Federalism, and that the societies

of Virginia and South Carelina were specially conspicious in those times, when the everlasting foundations of our deathless party were laid, they will accept the proposition to institute them anew with the greater alacrity.

I suggest that you consider this subject at your earliest convenience, and in the way you does better the convenience. that you ask, in the way you deem best rope to hang him with. While waiting the co operation of the Democratis of for the rope Sheriff Sullivan arrived on system of Democratic societies, which shell embrace every election district in enrolled with the National Association,

Lawrence Gardner, secretary. Washington D. C. and at the proper time, you will doubtless consider it advisable to call a State convention of deputies from the several societies to form the Democratic society of South Carolina. I remain with great respect, very ruly yours, CHAUNCEY F. BLACK. HON. WADE HAMPTON.

MELLO'S FLEET SURRENDERS

My Dear Sir: At the recent meeting ges between the authorities of this place to the entreaties of the people, he orof the executive committee of the Na- and the Brazilian government, through dered the militia to withdraw and local ships are the Republic, Meteor Iris,

board of them are suffering from sick- determined body. The guards offered ness, wounds and lack of proper food no resistance and after being pushed general amnesty would be granted to the agely. He was knocked down and a insurgent rank, and file, and that the rope placed about his neck. Then with Brazilian government will pay the quar- wild yells the mob dragged him over the great interests of the South, that is to say, unhindered by any intermeddling central power at Washington, freedom Consequently the Argentine government, with the consent of the rebel lea- was raised by the neck until he stood ders, is now superintending the delivery erect. by adverse and oppressive Federal tax- of the five war vessels to the minister ation, depend entirely, it appears to and this will have been accomplished by commenced but it was abruptly termime, upon the continuance of the Dem- the time this dispatch reaches the United minated, as the mob war too impatient States. The crews of the rebel ships are to wait. The doomed negro kept up an being disembarked at the Lazaretto here incessant groaning and appeal for mercy and will be cared for until further orders and was only stopped when with a sud-Neith and West. We should know are received from Rio De Janeiro. It is den jerk, he was sent skyward. There but a single platform of principles and believed that when the men and ships he was held until dead. Newland was are in a proper condition, they will re- an exconvict and had once before been join the Brezillian vessels under the found guilty of rape.

government officers and return to Rio De Mrs. Knowles, Newland's victim, is President Piexoto government has no- to live. of our common country, or to your tified the government of Uruguay that commerce, or to your agriculture, or to the expenses and the passage money come of the insurgents who landed in the department of Rocha, Urugusy, will the hideous perils they had passed, and be paid by the Brazilian government, jorities, have, in some places, neglected their organization, allowing strange heresies to arise and fatal divisions to the part which they have taken in the the part which they have taken in the Waugh, Miss Nettie L. White, Miss rebellion. It is understood that Presi- Louis Lowell and others, has sent the dent Piexoto, in adopting this wise and following letter of acknowledgement: lenient policy has acted under the advice of a foreign power, which has the interests of the Republic of Brazil at heart. Nothing seems to be known of the ed in your note, my thanks for the ultimate destination of Admiural De flowers; and I beg you also to assure Mello and Gen. Salgado, though it is believed that the former will take the ear-

foreign country where he can hide himselt for the rest of his life. On all sides, the utmost contempt is expressed for De embraces the entire cnuntry, and moves Mello, whose desertion of Admiral D. with a common impulse. Heretofore Gama is looked upon as being a piece of the offending man the same measure cowardly treachery which even the Ad- of condemnation that it visits upon miral's most intimate supporters coa- the offending woman. demn. To such an extent does this feeling prevail, that it is openly stated that kind ladies, I have addressed to them Da Gama proposes to seek out Admiral notes of acknowledgement, which I De Mello and compel him to meet him hand you herewith, and which I beg to great multitude of primary societies in in mortal combat. Those who should do me the favor to so direct as that know Admiral De Mello, the best, bewarmest sympathetic touch one with lieve that he will take care to avoid any another, is, it seems to me, the ideal practical relationship which should prevail between us. Such an organization there is little doubt but that he will be is presented by the National Associa- promptly tried by court-martial and

A River Mystery. AUGUSTA, April 20.-News comes from Sylvania that three dead bodies have been caught at Brier Creek that were floating down the Savannah river. The report says that an unknown white man was found a few days ago lodged against some bushes in the Saseminating Jeffersonian principles of rannah River near the mouth of Brief Creek. He was discovered by Mr. Pey-To preserve the Constitution of the ton Vickery, who notified the coroner. The latter went down yesterday and held an inquest, after which the body was buried in the swamp. The body had been in the water over a week. gressional whip, this afternoon. "The There was nothing on him by which he newspaper fellows said it would not could be identified. He was well anything else was found in his pockets. The body had evidently floated down known. About two weeks ago Mr. mouth of the creek in the river and anthing wrong somewhere along the riv-

Louisville, Ky., April 18.- n never saw such a rush of telegrams bedisputable Democratic doctrines. They are in general terms, the faith of the founders of the party and of all true

JUDGE LYNCH IN OHIO.

HORRIBLE CRIME SPEEDILY AND JUSTLY PUNISHED.

Woman 81 Years O'd Brutally Outto the Jail Withdrawn and the Criminal

CLEVELAND, O., April 15 .- Speedy ustice was meted out to a colored rape fiend at Rushsylvania, a small place near Bellerontaine tonight. The wretch was Saymour Newland, his victim Mrs. Jane Knowles, a respectable white woman 81 years old. She was terribly injured by the fiend. When alone in her house last night, Newland entered and without a word assaulted her. She was If, in addition, your people will remember, that the Democratic society was the original organization of the scream, and the neero bratally slapped scream, and the negro brutally slapped his hands across her mouth and forced her back on her pillow: She fought desperately, but her feeble strength was

Jefferson and his compeers; that, indeed, the popular club has ever been the most efficient engine popular agitation; that the thunders of the Demonstration and left her in a ptiable condition. After he bad gone the most efficient engine popular agitation; that the thunders of the Demonstration are and aroused the immates. She cratic societies of the South were told the story in a few broken senheard from end to end of the land in tences and then sank helplessly at Without loss of time other folks were

aroused. The news of the assault traveled like wild fire and in a short time nearly the entire populace of the vilshall embrace every election district in your State. Each of them should be Newland was taken to the lock-up, a little plank shell, and a strong guard placed outside.

The excitement became so intenss that the sheriff called for the militia from Bellefontaine. A company quickly arrived and formed a hollow square around the flimsy prison. The sight of the soldiers seemed to enrage the mob which hung around the vicinity. Loud threats of an attack were made by them. In some manner one of the mob had succeeded in placing several dynamite bombs beneath the cell in which the negro was locked, the object BUENOS AYRES, April 17.—The remains of the Brazilian rebel fleet, commanded by Admiral DeMello, which arthur negro. The fact that the bombs rived off this port last night, are the sub- were there was disclosed to the sheriff ject of exchanges of telegraphic messa- and he removed them. Finally yielding

Urano and Esperanza. They are in a lynching. About 9:30 o'clock they very dilapidated condition and rebels on gathered around the frail structure in a supplies. Their temporary wants have aside the building was overturned with been supplied, with the consent of the rails gathered from neighboring fences; Brazilian minister, who has received ad- Ready hands were laid on Newland, vices from Rio De Janeiro, saying that who howled with terror and fought say.

A jury was drawn and a mock trial

in a critical condition, and not expected

WASHINGTON, April 16.-Judge Jere M. Wilson, whose eloquent plea for the advancement of women in the closing speech for Madeline Pollard gained for him a fine bouquet of La France roses from Miss Mary Desha, sister of Col. Breckinridge's late wife, Mrs. Dan "My Dear Miss White; I beg that you will receive for, and communicate to the "twenty-eight women" mentionthem that looking back over a long professional career, soon to close, there is nothing in it all that will be more tribute to the advancement of women, and the establishment of a moral and social code that will visit upon

they will reach their intended destina-Very respectfully,

The note which accompanied the flowers and to which the above was a reply, follows: Dear Mr. Wilson: These flowers are

sent to you as a mark of appreciation of the stand you took yesterday for one code of morals for man and woman and also for the advancement of woman in an active part in the world in which we all have an equal interest, by twenty-eight women. With respect nd gratitude, most sincerely,

NETTIE LOUISA WHITE.

WASINGTON, April 14 .- "A good deal of fun was made of the resolution dollars for absence without leave", said Col Ike Hill, the Democratic Conamount to anything; would not have dressed but no papers of any kind or any effect; but I want to tell you I know better. Look here, I was directed to send out telegrams Thursday the river, but from how far up is not night, wasn't I? Well, yesterday only six or eight answer came in, and they Vickery also found the dead body of a were vague, indefinite and unsatisfacnegro lodged against a snag near the tory. You could not tell whether the members were coming or not. This other body, whether white or black, he morning, about 10 o'clock, just as soon could not tell, several weeks prior to as the absentees read the result of yesthat time. There seems to be some- terday's caucus the telegrams began to come in, saying; "I am on board the ganization of the Democratic party in er. Can it be any of the drowned men train and will be in Washington as soon as steam can take me." Before 1 o'clock twenty of them had been received.